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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.143

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2002, setting forth a requirement for species election, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the species of SEQ ID NO: 1, which sets forth the amino acid sequence of the N. scutatus Phospholipase A_2 inhibitor (or "NSI") α chain.

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